

From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

The President announced his intention to appoint Rabbi Irving Greenberg as chair of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council.

The President announced his intention to appoint James V. Kimsey to the Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

The President announced his intention to appoint Salvador Diaz-Verson as a member of the Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation.

The President declared a major disaster in Louisiana and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a severe winter storm on January 27–30.

The President declared a major disaster in Georgia and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and tornadoes on February 14.

February 16

The President announced his intention to appoint Alice A. Kelikian as a member of the Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad.

The White House announced that the President directed Health and Human Services Secretary Donna E. Shalala to release an additional \$120 million in Low Income Home Energy Assistance emergency funds for States, territories, and tribes due to continuing increases in home heating fuel prices.

February 17

The President declared a major disaster in Alaska and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe winter storms and avalanches beginning on December 21, 1999, and continuing.

February 18

The President declared a major disaster in Alabama and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a severe winter storm on January 22–29.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released February 14

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Joe Lockhart

Released February 15

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Joe Lockhart

Transcript of a press briefing by Chief of Staff John Podesta, Secretary of Commerce Bill Daley, President of Information Technology Association of America Harris Miller, President of eBay Technologies Maynard Webb, and Chief Information Officer of Microsoft Howard Schmidt on the President's meeting on cyber security.

Fact sheet: Cyber Security Budget Initiatives

Fact sheet: Strengthening Cyber Security through Public-Private Partnership

Released February 16

Statement by the Press Secretary: Federal Panel Continuation to Declassify Selected Historically Valuable Documents

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing action on Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

Released February 17

Transcript of a press briefing by Deputy Press Secretary Jake Siewert and NSC Spokesman David Leavy

Fact sheet: Solidifying our Partnership with Africa